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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING PRINTER RECOGNITION AND MANAGEMENT OF A PRINT JOB ENTITY

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Applicants request Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. The following amendments and remarks are presented for consideration of the application.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.